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Mayor S. S. Scranton, better known as

5000 HUN DEAD BEFORE SINGLE U.S. REGIMEN

WITH THE AMERICAN ARMY IN THE CHAMPAGNE July 18- (8:05 A. M.)-The fourth day of the battle finds the Germans still halted in their attempt to envelop Rheim.

extremities of the fighting front-east of Chateau-Thierry and will precede the departure of the eighty- now under construction, and give a 16east of Rheims-safely holds the allies' flanks

The Americans not only are holding their ground, but are leave Celina next Monday at 11:25 a.m. the way from Celina to the Indiana state line. The date set for the completion of inflicting the heaviest punishment on the enemy. In the region for Camp Sherman. The program is as this section (D-1) is June 15, next. This of Mezy and Jaulgonne the Boche dead are piled four and five

One American regimental commander estimates 5000 dead in front of his cammand alone.

The attack today was centering against the French on the American right, in an apparent effort to reach Epernay. As an instance of the German losses, prisoners said the

American artillery wiped out one entire regiment before it was able to cross the Marne. Of a group of six boats, each holding 20 men, five were destroyed. The famous Sixth Grenadier Regiment was utterly annihila-

ted, every man being killed or captured. Three German divisions (36,000) were so demoralized that they have not appeared in the battle since the first day. Extraordinary werther has marked the battle daily. Scorch

ing sun has buen socceePed by cloudiness and rain almost every hour with monotomous regularity. The latest information shows that 45 German divisions (520,000 men) are being used on the entire front.

ENEMY DRIVEN BACK 2 MILES ON 35-MILE LINE

PARIS, July 18.—The allies started a counter offensive this morninff by attacking on the 35-mile front from the Marne northward to Aisne.

The French communique, issued at noon, stated that initial gains of from a mile to nearly two miles had been made and that prisoners were taken.

The Franco-American attack extends the battle line into a giant fighting front of nearly 100 miles from Main De Massiges the region of Soissons.

Additional American forces have tsus been hurled into the Maelstrom of blood and steel on the west front. Marines and regulars are known to be in the line from Vaux northwestward Vinly, and it is probable that numbers of American reserves have been thrown into this fighting.

The allied assault apparently comes at a time when the German effort in the Champagne is at its lowest ebb, the French re port saying that in this region there was "no change"

LIEUT. ROOSEVELT KILLED IN AIR FIGHT

PARIS, July 17.—Lieutenant Quentin Roosevelt, aged 20, youngest son of the former president of the United States, has been killed in an air fight, the semi-official Havas News agency announces. His machine fell into the enemy lines.

Lieutenant Roosevelt was last seen in combat Sunday morning with two enemy airplanes about 10 miles inside the German lines in the Chateau Thierry sector. He started out with a patrol of 13 American machines. They encountered seven Germans and were chasing them back, when two of them turned on Lieutenant Roosevelt.

WEEKLY REVIEW OF WAR

German offensive in France has begun. Fierce battles are in progress on both sides of the famous cathedral city of Rheims, which, since the last offensive began along the Marne, has stood the apex of a sharp salient into | machine gun bullets. The Americans the German line.

West of Rheims the Germans, with the attacking Germans. the pressure of large numbers of troops, the unleashing of which was the Germans thus far is to the west explosive and gas shells have been crossed the Marne river. enabled to cross the Marne at several places. East of the city, however, they have been held for the smallest of gains by the tenacious Berat, the most important point in resistance of the defenders of the line. Altogether the two battle fronts

aggregate about 65 miles in length. /American troops are fighting valiantly on the sectors they have been holding and at two points have met with notable success. At Vaux they not only broke down a violent attack by the enemy, but drove him back | the mountains and toward the rear several hundred yards and only returned to their former positions when | Monastir. the advance of the Germans southeast of Chateau Thierry, across the Marne, made the reoccupation of

their trenches of strategic value. Along the Marne between the town of Fossey and the river Surmeline, where the Germans crossed the Marne the Americans in a strong counter attack forced back the enemy to the right bank of the stream. At other points along the river they used to the greatest advantage their ine guns against enemy element, which were crossing the river on bontoon bridges, killing or wounding many of them. In the counter attack near Fossoy 1,500 Germans were made prisoner by the Americans. The captured contingent included a complete brigade staff. The French general in command on this sector sent a congratulatory message to the general in command of

the American troops. The Germans, in addition to their tremendous expenditure of explosives and gas shells, used numerous tanks against the lines of the defenders and also opened with numerous naval guns, bombardments of towns and cities far behind the battle line, droping upon them shells from 10 and 12-inch pieces.

The long-expected renewal of the | most violent bombardment of high explosives and gas shells throughout night. The American troops sought shelter wherever it was available. When the enemy infantry appeared the Americans swarmed out and met the attackers with a rain of wore their gas masks as they fought

The only important gain made by preceded by a veritable hair of high of the city of Rheims, where they

> The French and Italians fighting in Albania have carried their lines steadily northward. The town of southern Albania, has fallen into allied hands. It is reported that large quantities of Austrian supplies stored at Berat were destroyed by the rewould appear to show that the ad- street. reaching farther and farther east into the May family is reported with a case. of the Bulgarian positions around

British and American troops have been landed and now are in control of the entire Murman coast in northern Russia. It is through this territory that it is hoped ultimately to lend aid to Russia by way of the

Arctic ocean Turkish troops attacked the British been penetrated. More than 500 Turks were taken prisoner.

July 17.-Strong resistance of lost in the first rush of the enemy These include St. Agnan, Hill 223 and La Chapelle-Monthodon, south of

Berlin claims small gains in the region of Rheims. In the fighting the losses in the drive have been enor-

83 MORE SELECTS

Program Under Auspices of ANOTHER BOOST FOR Celina Business Men

follows:

Music-Celina and Coldwater bands. Meeting called to order by Chairman Younger at 10 a.m. Music-Rockford male quartet. Invocation-Rev. W. E. Turner Music-Rockford male quartet.

Address-J. W. Loree. Presentation of Comfort Kits-Ladie f Celina Red Cross Chapter. Presentation of sovenirs by the Celina Business Men's Association.

The order of march to the C.N. depot nd bodies participating are-

Ladies of Relief Corps. Civil war veterans. Ladies of the Red Cross. Band-Citizens Draft Board-Selects.

THE SELECTS Frank Hess Augustus Schroeder Harvey E. Schock ames Clem Boice seph Hein, jr. Richard Hickernell Robert Steinbrunner Roman John Rose Henry Otto Lange Clarence O. Harper Albert Beiersdorfer August Bruns Herman Winer Hurles F. Lime Herbert H. Fecher Thurman F. Graf Wilson George Meyers Charles J. Boice Andrew C. Kunkler oseph B. Kunkler William O. Alger Leo S. Harb Clayton Yocum Clarence C. Fetters Theodore F. Bollenbacher erome J. Obringer Albert John Meyer Herbert Gottas acob H. Brehm Christian Huwer Edward L. Pottketter James E. Denney Albert Hole Raymond N. Carpenter John August Moorman Elmer E. Bollenbacher Charles J. Link Albert C. Pierstorff Charles F. Andress Lawrence S. Baker Leon Magato John W. Kinkley Encil N. Small Howard Schaffer M. D. Lewis Joseph E. Meeker William H. Post Harlan O. Harmon Charley W. Meyer Bernard J. Siefering John G. Hundley Forest F. McMichael Rudolph A. Stahl Henry W. Wnebker Frank Mueller Robert L. Boice Peter John Heckler Bernard Howick Anthony H. Heitkamp Zura M. Walters Aloys Will Walter Harry Shirey Edward Dicke William T. Kantzer Leo Braun Melchion Knapshafer John R. Williams Aloys H. Moeder James H. McDonald Leo Silk Henry H. Thieman Robert Sutter Louis Urban Moorman Wilbur McDarling Leo Bruggeman Edward Hay Clyde McDonald Alois Beckst.dt Eli Eichler

Scarlet Fever Cases Reported

Murvil H. Cranfill

Anthony Obringer

Aloys Uppenkamp Roy E. White

Irvin Dammeyer

Ralph Ebersole

Peter Obringer

Joseph Mescher

Scarlet fever is reported in two fami treating Austrians. Official reports lies in the west end, south of Logan Seven members of the family of vance of the French and Italians is John Pfeffenb rger are quarantined, and

Frank Lange, a farmer, residing near St. Henry, who was reported last week day on important builness. Turkish troops attacked the British as having turned his hogs into his wheat positions in Palestine commanding field, appeared before the authorities here the crossings of the Jordan and the last Friday and acknowledged doing so, ridges north of Jericho. In the ridge giving as one of his reasons that he had region, the war office announced, the no way of gathering it. He has a fine British completely restored by a lot of neighbors if he could get no one counter attack the positions that had to cut his grain, if he had no way of doing the work himself. But it would be hard to make anyone believe it. No such thing would work in Germany, where his sympathies seem to be. Over Aller of near Lima, were Sunday guests American, French and Italian armies has checked the German offensive in the region of Rheims. Americans for such action. He has neighbors with Its visiting friends in and around Mercer. and French operating on the Marne sons over seas in the American army have retaken all important positions fighting the Huns and off ring their lives for his benefit and those who may come after him, and to think other peo-ple over the land are making sacrifices for her home at Coldwater Monday. without complaint, that Uncle Sam may

(Continued on Eighth Page) Sycamore, Elm, Cottonwood, 60 feet first day they claim the capture of to the first limb, is the character of the 15,000 prisoners. American state de- Bilter farm. Sells July 27. A descrip-

istrator's sale of real estate."

Files Petition in Bankruptcy

Clarence E. Beitler, of this county giving his occupation as laborer and thresher, filed a petition in bankruptcy LEAVE MONDAY in the Federal court at 101eta day, He lists his debts at \$2780.70 and and his assets at \$1126.20.

will add another mile and a half to that three Mercer county selects that will foot concrete road more than a third of will take the improvement to the road leading south to the Swamp College Cemetery. Plans and specifications are on file at the office of County Surveyor Morrison as well as at Columbus.

OUR CHAUTAUOUA

uext Wednesday at Mercelina park, will means exhausted our capacity. The Celina Chautauqua, which opens have its program rendered under a tent, the old auditorium being unfit for use in its present state.

the disposal of the Chautauqua people by Manager Brandts, who has always these great gatherings.

Supt. Pogue, who is at the head of the Chautauqua workers, has his office at the Weber jewelry store, where information can be obtained and tickets may be pro-

As the Celina Chautauqua comes next S. S. week one can not help but be impressed with the three-fold mission of this year's program.

It stands out as clearly defined as it it had beed painted in black and white.

Second, there is the educational aspect-the boardening influence, which is seen just as truly in the work of the 'story lady' of the Junior Chautauqua, as it is in the wonderful messages of the brilliant lectures and in the softening influence of the musical numbers. And third, there is the purely enter-

tainment side of the program-the pro- Rypkema. vision that hrs been made to gratify the Stedcke, human longing for relaxation and enjoyment, certainly more necessary to Hellwarth. America in those times of war than it ias ever been before, Those groups of able and patriotic

citizens who have been doing the work of our local committees are seeing visions of their tasks crowned with success. The ticket committee, the ad vertising committee and all other committees see signs of record-breaking crowds to see and hear the record-break ing programs that have been provided And they are assuring every one that never has a Chautauqua program held such rich promise of reward for those

who attend. From the moment the Original Strollers Quartette opens the program next Wednesday afternoon, and Alexander day. One victim, a little fifteen-months-Cairns, the gitted orator, delivers his old son of the Swigerts, died in a few great war lecture "Potsdamnation"

will not be an idle moment. The five days are packed with feature numbers including, in addition to the above, such attractions as Robert Parker Miles in his gfeat lecture "Tallow Dips" Hettie Iane Dunaway in her singlehan ded production or the great dramatic success, 'Just Plain Judy'; the Mozart Orchestral Ladies in rich musical numbers; a lecture on "Community Effi-ciency" by James S. Kuox; and the massed music of the Royal Blue Hussars Band, assisted by Eva Quintard, the grand opera etar. Altogether our Chautauqua this year is going to be a memorable one.

MERCER

Mrs. M. Thomas, after spending a few days at home, has been called back to St. Marys.

Mrs. Charles Johnson, of Lima is visiting her mother. Mrs. Ed Rison spent a few days at Cincinnati last week. Clarence Harper received a serious

wreck near Celina Sunday. C. W. and Jasper was at Celina Tues-

A lady speaker from Spencerville will speak here at the Baptist church Sunday and Sunday evening. Everybody invited. Mr. and Mrs. Lon Bose and son have

returned from a short visit with relatives at Richmond, Indiana. Thomas Bise and family, of near Rich treasured landmarks spoil. The German people ought to know mond, John Bealer and wife and Everett just how it feels to have a foe shoot up their houses and their

Mrs. Ralph Queen, who was operated stroyed; they ought to see the bombshells burst among their nesday to be upon two weeks ago at the Otis Hospital, fields of winerwurst and see the flash of snickersness beneath ganization.

Mr. and Mrs. Henry Walters, of Cron priests, for allied soldiers are not beasts; but I would see our propose to give some one. street, are the parents of a baby girl, born Monday.

Take the best expert and look at the other column.

Now that Uncle Sam's place in the world war is firmly es tablished, and being emphasized daily in the growing casualty lists, it is time for us stay at homes to take a personal inventory Judge Scranton, one of the most widely and fix our own positions from the standpoint of patriotism. known men of the town and county, died None of us but will insist that we are wholly loyal. None of us suddenly at his home last Friday noon, but will declare that we will do our part for American success a few minutes after leaving his office at Another section of the Celina-Wabash Inter-County Highway will be sold at Stubbornness of the American and French resistance at the Stubbornness of the American and French resistance at the will have charge of the exercises that we will declare that we will dec

But have we?

It's time to begin playing the game according to the necessi ties of the situation. Time to see just where we stand patriotically. Time to get down to brass tacks.

The simple facts of the case are that there are comparatively down and at once notified Mrs. Scranton and her brother, F. A. Snyder, of his few of us who have gone the limit in lending our assistance, sudden liness. Mr. Scranton was then few of us who have gone the limit in lending our assistance, assisted to his home. About his last financially, to the government. Not that we wouldn't if we words were to his wife, that she should thought it necessary.

But we haven't thought it necessary.

We have all been wholly confident that the country would breathing his last. meet every demand, and that confidence has been justified. Mayor Scranton was a couple months Every demand has been met to date. And we haven't by any scarcely appeared a man of sixty, so

But what of the future?

That's the big question NOW. The next Liberty Loan will boyhood days. In 1872 he came to Celina and took up the study of law in the in all probability be for an amount far in excess of anything that office of the late Senator T. J. Godfrey, The park and its facilities for enter- has been asked to date. The needs are becoming greater, more Previous to this he taught school several tainment, however, have been placed at imperative, every day! Are we getting ready for such a condi-

It's up to every man to take his personal inventory. To fix been a consistent booster in promoting his own capacity, his limit, and to get ready to play it. The business of the country right now is war, war to the six years as county recorder and two death. And we don't want it to be our death

One way to win it and live is for each fellow to do his part. GET READY!

First there is the patriotic purpose- Next Sunday evening, beginning so ably instilled in each day's program- promptly at 8 o'clock, a Sunday-school five miles north of town, to-night. You the desire to help Americanism find it- institute will be held at the Evangelical are welcome. self and to help Americans find their church in this city. All Sunday-school place in the ever growing war service of workers in the city and country are inthe nation—here at home just as well as vited. A splendid program has been fingers nipped by the machine, two or 'over there'. sist of addresses on appropriate subjects, songs, class songs, and readings.

Following is the program: Song by congregation Invocation

Evening offering. Aunouncements and remarks by the pastor. Piano solo-Miss Leona Stedcke

Class song.
Address, "How Can the Church En-Address, "How Can the Church I courage Sunday school Attendance"

TWO DEATHS RESULT FROM EXPLODING COAL OIL CAN

Song by the congregation.

Two deaths resulted from a coal oil Boesel, of New Bremen, a sister of Mrs. strains of southern songs as only real darkies can render them, and George P. Bible, another masterly speaker, deligners his lacturates the strains of southern songs as only real darkies can render them, and George P. Bible, another masterly speaker, deligners his lacturates the strains of southern songs as only real died next day at a Lima hospital, where the liberty of such cusses is enough to make one's dander rise. livers his lecturette, "Carry On" as the closing feature of the Chautauqua-there little one.

Mrs. Elizabeth Knight, a pioneer Rockford lady, aged 89 years, died at her home at that place last Monday. Funeral services were held Wednesday.

To Build Community House. Columbus, July 15 .- Elks are taking steps to build a community house at Camp Sherman. A committee of Ohio Elks was appointed at the national convention at Atlantic City last week to take charge of the community house project.

Six Breweries to Close. Dayton, O., July 17 .- By Aug. 15 culy one brewery will be engaged in business in this city, six other concerns engaged in a similar line becoming inoperative The new fael order makes such a move necessary it is announced

The Bilter farm, 4 miles east of Moncut aqove the left eye in an automobile tezuma, on pike; house, barn, out-buildings; fountain, and the soil all a garden Sells July 27.

blood and carnage stuff.

Into Germany

[From Walt Mason's "Rippling Rhymes"]

Local Briefs

Mrs. John Now is reported quite sick at her home of West Livingston street. There will be an ice-cream social on the lawn at the Chas. Ricketts home,

Chas. Bobenmoyer, operating a jointer at the furniture factory, had three one hand and one on the other.

Haskell Vining, who recently bought the Dillon Smalley residence on Fulton street, has moved it to a lot on Forest Heights, where he is fitting it up for a

I. F. Raudabaugh, it would seem, The Teacher's Qualifications-Hattie like other fellows who have a little prop- trim your sails accordingly. Everybody erty but are a little lame when it comes to avited. Duet-Edith Hellwarth and Lucile Blackstone tactics. He has fetched suit njoy the day. Stedcke.

The Teacher's Preparation—Edward from collecting an assessment on the Cherry street sewer in this bailiwick.

divorce from Roy Masonbrink, proper housekeeper, Washington township. iony and the custody of their childto her, cursed and abused her, called her keeper. Gibson township, ile names, failed to provide, and a few ays since gave notice that he was done with her for good. The couple were arried here in May, 1909, and have our children, ranging from eight years id down to a baby of three months.

Jubilee Singers send forth the sweet Swigert, was burned so badly that she To think we have young men of charac-among those to hear from their sons.

COL. GEORGE DUNCAN

Commands One of Regiments In General Pershing's Forces



the community as well as to his family and intimate friends. Always in good It's time to lay the cards on the table. Time to see just what health, the only notice of ill feeling that morning was when he got up to start to linner, when he spoke of a severe pain in his chest. On his way he stopped at Dr. Hattery's office, and the Doctor's practiced eye noted his condition with considerable concern. He had him lie lown and at once notified Mrs. Scranton

Mayor Scranton was a couple months kindly had the years dealt with him. He was born at Ft. Recovery, April 23, 1848, in the vicinity of which he spent his

not be alarmed, he would be all right. A

few minutes after, when the doctor was

people of the county with public office, whom he faithfully served, with credit to himself and his party. He served terms as probate judge. He held minor offices of public trust, and was filling his second term as mayor at the time of his

Mr. Scranton was a prominent Mason and a member of the K. of P lodge. In religious faith he was a Methodist.

The deceased is survived by his wife, and two daughters by his first marriage Mesdames Zoa Hayden, of Toledo, and lery! Stauffer, of Cleveland Funeral services were held from the ome last Sunday afternoon, under Masonic auspices. Religious services were

conducted by Rev. Lance. His remains

were laid to rest at North Grove,

The next annual meeting of the Merr County Pioneer Association will be held at the Fair-grounds on Thursday. F. Raudabaugh, it would seem, August S. A program of the day's ex-continues to be a much abused msn. The ercises will be given to the public later. own wants him to pay assessments just This announcement is made so you can Bring your lunch basket and

Marriage Licenses Issued

John W. Colton, age 18, tool grinde Nora Masonbrink (nee Flayler) wants Celina, and Beatrice L. Cronch, age 18, Lewis Epsteen, 21, mechanic, Indianen. She says that Roy has been cruel apolis; Ind., and Mary Neel, 19, house-

Among Soldier Lads

Drunks are getting so common here Notification cards announcing their hat you are likely to fall over one when arrivval overseas are still being received explosion at the home of Wm. Swigert, you step out of doors. Local officials by parents and brothers and sisters of seem to be impotent in dealing with the our boys. Miss Tillie Sacher has a card situation. A little fine is assessed, the from her brother Frank, and Mrs. Hazel sulprits jailed, then turned loose; then Hess has one from her brother, Fred G. bey come back, the performance re- Erysinger. Wm. Stein, John B. Pulspeated, the mill grinds again, and again, kamp and Chas. Krogman are also Mrs. Rose Taylor has received a card rom her son Neal, and Fred Laudahn, John A. Yaney and Geo. Koepple have

ST. HENRY BANK VALUT LOCK TAMPERED WITH

val over seas of their boys.

likewise been informed of the safe arri-

It is believed an attempt was made to rob the safe of the bank at St. Henry last Sunday night, as its officers found the time lock on the vault door tampered with when they opened the bank for business morning. Being unable to get the vault door open an expert was sent for and business resumed Tuesday, Outside of footprints on a file case near a rear window, no further clue of the

visitor was obtained.

Police Court Victims John Meyers, of Wabash; Cluney Mc-Calley, of Anderson, and Bert Andrews were arrested by Marshal Duncan Monday night charged with being drunk and disorderly. Each were given \$5 and osts Tuesday morning. ocked up, being short of funds. Henry K rch and Roy Hein, who also got into trouble Saturday night, were

DRY FEDERATION **MEETING TO-MORROW**

also handed \$5 and costs.

The dry federation of Mercer county will meet at their headquarters in this city to-morrow (Saturday) afternoon at 2 o'clock. All members of the federa-I hope before this war is done, and we've suppressed the tion are urged to be present at this meetfrightful Hun, our men will march on German soil, and sundry ing.

Boosting Red Cross Fund

kirks and overturn the whole blamed works. They should be The Fairview church entertainment last Sunday evening netted the Red Cross \$11.75. Mrs. James Janes, secregiven half a chance to see what deeds were wrought in France, their cities made an aching void, their sauerkraut factories destroyed; they ought to see the bombshells burst among their nesday to turn it over to the county or-

their waving pretzel trees. I would not advocate their plan of Montezuma ladies, to boost the fund dealing death to dame and man, of slaying babes and hanging along, have a comfort quit on exmost men in line somewhere along the storied Rhine, and have them of the lucky ticket gets it. Go and take rake the country well. and show the Teuts that war is hell. Un. a look at it and boost a good thing.

less we bring it to their door, they'll soon forget their years of The Bilter farm sells to pay the debts, gore, and say it's what they're yearning for, when some mad partment advices say the enemy's another page under the head, "Admin- administrator's of this property in anbargain.